

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

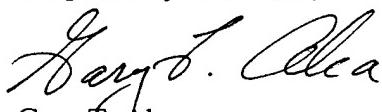
Reconsideration of the present application, as amended by this Supplemental Amendment, is respectfully requested.

This amendment supplements Amendment A filed January 6, 2004. In reviewing the specification, the applicants noted various typographical errors, terminology, diction, and phrasing. The present amendment attempts to make corrections so that the text of the specification easier to read with a minimal amount of change. The applicants assert that no new matter has been added.

Since the amendments to the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 3 is difficult to see, the applicants note that changes include the addition of periods to the end of the two ellipses, and the insertion of a comma after the abbreviation, "i.e."

Therefore, in view of the amendments above and the remarks directed thereto, the applicants respectfully request that rejections be withdrawn, that claims 2-7, 9-35 be allowed, and the case be passed to issued. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 446-7687.

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